#### MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 4(I)

(Public Hearing 11-4-03)

TO:

Hon. Chairperson Barbara Carey-Shuler, Ed.D.

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

September 23, 2003

FROM:

George M. Burgess Court Manager

**SUBJECT:** 

Keystone

Multipurpose

Special Taxing District

#### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve a petition submitted in accordance with Article 1, Chapter 18 of the Code, for creation of the Keystone Multipurpose Special Taxing District.

#### **BACKGROUND**

**Commission District:** 

Nine

**Boundaries:** 

On the North, S.W. 288<sup>th</sup> Street; On the East, theo. S.W. 134<sup>th</sup> Avenue; On the South, theo. S.W. 292<sup>nd</sup> Street; On the West, theo. S.W. 135<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**Number of Parcels:** 

1 (Tentative plat proposes 116 buildable single family lots).

**Number of Owners:** 

1

**Number of Owners With Homestead** 

**Exemption Signing Petition:** 

None – The petition was submitted by Caribe South L.L.C., the sole property owner and

developer.

**Preliminary Public Meeting:** 

None necessary.

Type of Service:

The services to be provided will initially consist of the maintenance of turf within the swales areas and the exterior face of a decorative masonry wall, as shown on the attached Exhibit A.

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Required Referendum:

The creation of the district will be subject only to Board of County Commissioners approval; no election will be necessary as 100 percent of the owners signed the petition.

**Preliminary Assessment Roll:** 

Submitted on the same agenda as a separate agenda item for consideration and adoption by the Board of County Commissioners and contingent upon the Board's approval of this district's creation ordinance. The implementation of the assessment roll will be in accordance with the procedures defined in Chapter 18 of the Code.

**Estimated Completion:** 

September 2004

#### **ECONOMIC/FISCAL/HOUSING COSTS IMPACT ANALYSIS**

Creation of this district will result in no immediate economic impact on the County's budget. The creation of this district is required as maintenance could not conveniently be provided by the property owners since the parcels have limited access to the areas to be maintained by the district. Cost savings are realized from processing a district with the developer rather than trying to achieve a consensus from an established community through a special election.

The economic impact on the property owners will be a perpetual annual special assessment for the cost of the maintenance program.

At this time there will be no increase or decrease in County staffing due to this district. Increases in staffing levels, to provide the service requirements created by additional landscape maintenance special taxing districts, may be necessary in the future.

Estimated Initial Billing: November 2004. Assessment billed annually as an itemized portion of

the annual tax bill.

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	First Year	Second Year
Estimated Total District Cost:	\$15,325	\$9,600
Method Of Apportionment:	Square Footage	
<b>Estimated Annual Assessments:</b>		
Cost Per Square Foot:	\$0.0229	\$0.0143
Per Year For A 5,000 Sq. Ft. Townhouse Lot:	\$115	\$72
Per Year For A 5,974 Sq. Ft. Townhouse Lot:	\$137	\$85

The annual assessments shown above are representative of costs for typical townhouse lots within this district.

State or Federal grants are not applicable to this special taxing district.

Each maintenance special taxing district is unique due to its geographical boundaries, affected property owners, and level of services to be provided. Adoption of a new ordinance to provide this service is the best and most cost-effective method to achieve this benefit.

As required by the provisions of Section 18-3 (c) of the Code, I have reviewed the facts submitted by the Public Works Director and concur with his recommendation that this district be created pursuant to Section 18-22.1 of the Code.

Assistant County Manager

TO:

Hon. Chairperson Barbara Carey-Shuler, Ed.D.

DATE:

November 4, 2003

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

Robert A. Ginsburg

County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 4(I)

Please	e note any items checked.
	"4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
	6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
	4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
	Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
	Budget required
	Statement of fiscal impact required
	Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
	Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
	Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
	No committee review

Approved	Mayor	Agenda Item No. 4(1) 11-4-03
Veto		11 1 03
Override		
	ORDINANCE	NO.

ORDINANCE CREATING AND ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, KNOWN AND DESCRIBED AS KEYSTONE MULTIPURPOSE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 18 OF THE CODE OF MIAMIDADE COUNTY, FLORIDA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Home Rule Amendment to the Florida Constitution (Article VIII, Section 6) grants to the electors of Miami-Dade County power to adopt a home rule charter of government for Miami-Dade County, Florida, and provides that such charter may provide a method for establishing special taxing districts and other governmental units in Miami-Dade County from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the Home Rule Charter adopted by the electors of Miami-Dade County on May 21, 1957, provides that the Board of County Commissioners, as the legislative and the governing body of Miami-Dade County, shall have the power to establish special purpose districts within which may be provided essential facilities and services, including landscape improvement and maintenance programs, and that all funds for such districts shall be provided by service charges, special assessments, or general tax levies within such districts only, and that the County Commission shall be the governing body of all such districts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to such provisions of the Florida Constitution and the Home Rule Charter, the Board of County Commissioners duly enacted Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, providing for the creation and establishment of special taxing districts and prescribing the procedures therefor; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, a petition for the creation of a special taxing district to be known as the KEYSTONE MULTIPURPOSE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT duly signed by 100% of the owners (developer/petitioner) of property within the proposed district, was filed with the Clerk of the County Commission. Such petition prayed for the creation and establishment of a special taxing district for the purpose of providing maintenance of the exterior face of a decorative masonry wall and swales including turf, located within the public domain to be financed solely by means of special assessments levied and collected within the area therein and hereinafter described; and

WHEREAS, upon receipt of such petition the Clerk of the County Commission transmitted a copy thereof to the County Manager who examined it and filed a written report with the Clerk certifying that such petition was sufficient in form and substance and signed and properly presented in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager, after making appropriate investigations, surveys, plans and specifications, compiled and filed with the Board of County Commissioners his written report and recommendations setting forth the boundaries of the proposed special taxing district, the location, nature and character of the maintenance programs to be provided within the proposed district, an estimate of the cost of maintaining and operating such improvements and/or services his certification that the proposed district improvements and/or services conform to the master plan of development for the County, and setting forth his recommendations concerning the need for and desirability of the requested district, the ability of the affected property to bear special assessments to fund the cost of maintaining and operating such improvements and/or services, and an estimate of the amount to be assessed against each square foot of the benefited property within the proposed district, and expressing his opinion that the property to be specially assessed will be benefited in excess of the special assessments to be levied, and the County Manager attached to such report and recommendations a map or sketch showing the boundaries

and location of the proposed district. Such "Report and Recommendations" of the County Manager was filed with the Clerk and transmitted to the Chairperson; and

WHEREAS, it appearing to the Board of County Commissioners from such report of the County Manager and other investigations that the district petitioned for would be of special benefit to all property within the proposed boundaries and that the total amount of the special assessments to be levied would not be in excess of such special benefit; the Clerk of the Board certified the place, date and hour for a public hearing on the petition of the property owners and the report and recommendations of the County Manager -- said hearing was held on Tuesday,

. Copies of the notice of the public hearing were duly published in newspapers of general circulation published in Miami-Dade County, Florida, and copies thereof were posted in not less than five (5) public places within the proposed district, and copies thereof were mailed to all owners of taxable real property within the boundaries of the proposed district as their names and addresses appear on the latest Miami-Dade County Real Property Tax Roll; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said notice, the Board of County Commissioners on Tuesday,
, held a public hearing, at which all interested persons were be
afforded the opportunity to present their objections, if any, to the creation and establishment of
the proposed special taxing district; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners, upon review and consideration of the report and recommendations of the County Manager and the views expressed by the property owners within the proposed special taxing district, has determined to create and establish such special taxing district in accordance with the report and recommendations of the County Manager, and the provisions of Chapter 18 of the Miami-Dade County Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

<u>Section 1</u>. In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, a special taxing district to be known and designated as the KEYSTONE

MULTIPURPOSE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT is hereby created and established in the unincorporated Miami-Dade County, Florida..

Section 2. The area or boundaries of this proposed special taxing district are as follows:

A portion of Section 2, Township 57 South, Range 39 East, Miami-Dade County, Florida; being more particularly described as follows:

The N 2/3 of the N 3/4 of the E 1/2 of the W 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of said Section 2; (A.K.A. Keystone, Tentative Plat # T-21393).

The area and location of this proposed special taxing district are shown on the map or sketch which is made a part hereof by reference.

Section 3. The service to be provided within this proposed special taxing district will initially consist of the following:

The services to be provided will initially consist of the maintenance of turf within the swales areas and the exterior face of a decorative masonry wall, as shown on the attached Exhibit A.

Section 4. The estimated cost to the property owners for the maintenance and operation of the district's improvements and/or services, program including engineering, administration, billing, collecting and processing for the first year is \$15,325, and \$9,600 for the second year. It is estimated that the cost per assessable square foot of real property within the proposed district is \$0.0229 for the first year and \$0.0143 for the second year. The succeeding years' assessments will be adjusted from actual experience.

Section 5. It is hereby declared that said improvements and/or services will be a special benefit to all property within the proposed special taxing district and the total amount of special assessments to be levied as aforesaid will not be in excess of such special benefit.

Section 6. Miami-Dade County, as administrator of this district's maintenance program, is directed to provide service by the most effective and efficient means available on a yearly basis, as detailed in the County Manager's report which is made a part hereof by reference. The Parks and Recreation Department is also directed to conduct one meeting

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annually in the community, inviting all affected district property owners for the purpose of

reviewing the district's budget and level of services provided.

Section 7. The County Manager is authorized and directed to cause to be made the

maintenance and operation of various public improvements to be installed within the district in

accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 8. The County Manager is further directed, to cause to be prepared and filed with

the Clerk of the County Commission a Preliminary Assessment Roll in accordance with the

provisions of Section 18-14 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida. As authorized by

Section 197.363, Florida Statutes, all special assessments levied and imposed under the

provisions of this Ordinance shall be collected, subject to the provisions of Chapter 197, Florida

Statutes, in the same manner and at the same time as ad valorem taxes. In accordance with

utilization of the ad valorem tax collection method, if such special assessments are unpaid, when

due, the potential for loss of title to the property exists.

Section 9. A duly certified copy of this Ordinance shall be filed in the Office of the

Clerk of the Circuit Court of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and recorded in the appropriate book

of records.

Section 10. The provisions of this Ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after

the date of its enactment, unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only

upon an override by this Board.

<u>Section 11</u>. This ordinance does not contain a sunset provision.

PASSED AND ADOPTED:

Approved by County Attorney as to

form and legal sufficiency. RAG

Prepared by:

James K. Kracht

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# REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE CREATION OF KEYSTONE MULTIPURPOSE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Pursuant to Chapter 18 of the Code, and as a result of a detailed investigation of a duly petitioned for special taxing district, the following facts are hereby submitted concerning the creation of Keystone Multipurpose Special Taxing District.

#### 1. BOUNDARIES OF THIS DISTRICT

The proposed district is located entirely within a portion of Unincorporated Miami-Dade County, and the boundaries, as set forth in the petition, are as follows:

A portion of Section 2, Township 57 South, Range 39 East, Miami-Dade County, Florida; being more particularly described as follows:

The N 2/3 of the N 3/4 of the E 1/2 of the W 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of said Section 2; (A.K.A. Keystone, Tentative Plat # T-21393).

The boundaries are shown on the attached plan entitled Keystone Multipurpose Special Taxing District and hereinafter referred to as Exhibit A.

#### 2. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF THIS DISTRICT

The service to be provided under the district will consist initially of a maintenance program to maintain turf within the swale area and the exterior face of a decorative masonry wall along S.W. 288<sup>th</sup> Street between theoretical S.W. 134<sup>th</sup> Avenue and theoretical S.W. 135<sup>th</sup> Avenue, as shown on the attached Exhibit A. Service will commence at the earliest practicable time following the creation and establishment of the district and will be provided initially by the Miami-Dade County Park and Recreation Department using the most effective and efficient means available.

#### 3. ESTIMATED COST FOR THIS DISTRICT

The proposed district is to be created initially to provide maintenance as described in Item 2 above. An increase in future landscape maintenance functions may be recommended by a majority of the property owners for consideration by Miami-Dade County as administrator. The deletion of services is subject to

maintaining a minimum level of services as determined by the Miami-Dade County Public Works

Department. The expense of the landscape maintenance program will be continuous. However, because cost

and/or level of maintenance may increase, the estimated annual expense, as indicated herein, can only be

based on the initial maintenance program. The cost of the maintenance program will therefore require

adjustment annually through the budget process performed by the Park and Recreation Department or the

Public Works Department as administrator of the district.

The County may elect, due to the location and type of maintenance required, to provide landscape

maintenance services utilizing an open contract for swale and median maintenance when significant service

cost savings can be realized.

A cost estimate developed by the Public Works Department based on estimates previously provided

by the Park and Recreation Department for similar maintenance taxing districts, indicates the annual cost for

the initial maintenance program to be \$7,500 for the first and second years. In addition to that cost, it will be

necessary for the County to recover the administrative, processing, billing, and advertising costs incurred in

establishing and maintaining the district as provided by Chapter 18 of the Code, as well as provide for

contingency and discount costs. This cost is estimated to be \$7,825 the first year and \$2,100 the second year.

An annual meeting will be conducted with the owners of real property within the district as an integral part of

the annual budget process. This will enable Miami-Dade County, as administrator, to secure suggestions from

affected community representatives or association to improve delivery and lower costs of the services

provided within the scope of the district's authorized functions as specified in Item 2 above, and to determine

the following:

1. Level of service;

2. Areas to be maintained;

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3. Approximate effect on cost and rate of assessment for any changes.

Miami-Dade County shall determine the minimum service level (residents may not delete maintenance altogether).

#### ESTIMATED ANNUAL COSTS

	First Year	Second Year
Initial Annual Maintenance	\$7,500	\$7,500
Administrative, Processing, Billing and Advertising Costs	5,825	1,650
Contingency/Discount	2,000	450
Total Estimated Cost to District	\$15,325	\$9,600

The above costs are estimated and will be adjusted annually based on actual experience.

#### 4. CONFORMITY TO THE MASTER PLAN OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

The proposed district conforms to and in no way conflicts with the Comprehensive Development

Master Plan of Miami-Dade County (see attached memorandum from the Department of Planning and

Zoning).

#### 5. RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING THE DESIRABILITY OF THIS DISTRICT

The proposed maintenance program is desirable, needed and, in my opinion, provides special benefits to property within the district exceeding the amount of special assessment to be levied.

### 6. ESTIMATE OF ASSESSMENT AGAINST BENEFITTED PROPERTY

The combined cost of the maintenance program, processing and administrative expenses as shown in Item 3 above is to be paid for by special assessments levied against all benefited properties and is to be apportioned to individual properties within the district on the basis of square footage. The cost per assessable

Keystone Multipurpose Special Taxing District Page 4

square foot to be assessed for this service is estimated as follows:

	First Year	Second Year
Estimated Total District Cost	\$15,325	\$9,600
Estimated Total Assessable Property Square Footage	669,350	669,350
Estimated Cost Per Square Foot of Property	\$0.0229	\$0.0143
SAMPLE ASSESSMENTS	First Year	Second Year
Per Year For A 5,000 Sq. Ft. Townhouse Lot:	\$115	\$72
Per Year For A 5,974 Sq. Ft. Townhouse Lot:	\$137	\$85

The annual assessments shown above are representative of costs for typical townhouse lots within this district.

These costs are based on the above estimated total assessable property square footage and will be adjusted from actual experience.

#### 7. <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>

I recommend that this district be created pursuant to Section 18-22.1 of the Code, as 100% of the property owners have signed the petition and no referendum is required. I also recommend that the County Attorney cause to be prepared an ordinance authorizing the creation of the Keystone Multipurpose Special Taxing District. Pursuant to Section 18-22.1 of the Code, the Board shall receive and hear, at a public hearing, remarks by interested persons on this district, and thereafter may adopt such ordinance. Following adoption of the creation ordinance, it is further recommended that the Board adopt the district's Preliminary Assessment Roll Resolution. Adoption of this resolution will enable the Miami-Dade County Tax Collector to provide

Keystone

Multipurpose Special Taxing District

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the funding necessary to reimburse affected County Agencies involved in the creation and establishment of

this district, as well as operate and maintain this district. In the event actual costs are lower than the costs

estimated, the Director of the Public Works Department or his designee shall adjust and decrease the square

foot rate of assessment. In the event actual costs are higher than those estimated in the ordinance, the County

Manager may at his discretion cause to be prepared a revised preliminary assessment roll and file the same

with the Clerk of the Board for a scheduled public hearing to adopt the revised assessment roll. The ordinance

creating the district shall take effect ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor,

and if vetoed, it shall become effective only upon an override by the Board. My office will also be available

to answer any questions from the public or your office in regards to the financial and/or engineering facts of

this project. We further recommend that the County Manager forward this report to the Board of County

Commissioners after he has reviewed it and concurred with our findings.

Encls:

- (1) Copy of Petition and Attachments
- (2) Copy of Memo from Department of Planning and Zoning
- (3) Copy of Summary of Report
- (4) District Boundary Map (Exhibit A)

## MEMORANDUM

TO:	Kay M. Sullivan, Director Office of the Clerk of the Board Attn: Keith Knowles	DATE:	April 14, 2003
FROM:	Charles W. Small, Jr. Acting Chief Special Taxing Districts Division	SUBJECT:	Keystone Multipurpose Special Taxing District
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1.	Total number of parcels of land within district boun	daries	1
2.	Total number of owners of property within district b	ooundaries	1
3.	Total number of resident owners within district bour (this is a new subdivision area)	ndaries	0
4.	Total number of signatures on the petition		1
5.	Total number of owners or representatives signing the in an official capacity	he petition	1
6.	Percentage of owners or representatives signing the in their official capacity	petition	1.00%
Pursua	ant to Section 18-22.1 of the Code, this is a valid petit	ion.	
	py of this memorandum, I am forwarding this petition ufficiency.	n for review by	the County Attorney for
Attach	ument		
cc: Jan	nes Kracht		



TO:

Aristides Rivera, P.E., P.L.S.

DATE:

May 21, 2003

FROM:

James K. Kracht

**Assistant County Attorney** 

Director, Public Works

SUBJECT:

**Keystone Street Lighting Special Taxing District** 

**Keystone Multipurpose Special Taxing District** 

The above referenced petitions are approved for legal sufficiency provided that the wall to be maintained is adjacent to or accessible to the public right of way.

J. K. F. / M. Z.

James K. Kracht

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#### MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS DIVISION

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(Government Use Only)

Document Preparation Date

#### PETITION FOR MULTIPURPOSE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT

To the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

We, the undersigned property owners, do hereby petition Miami-Dade County, Florida, for the creation of the Special Taxin District(s) required by the respective plat(s) pursuant to Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, for any or all o the following: installation, operation and maintenance of sodium vapor street lights of an intensity of 9,500 up to 50,000 lumens mounted on concrete, fiber glass or existing poles; landscape, lake, entrance features and wall maintenance services (landscape lake, entrance features and wall maintenance services shall be more fully described on the attached Exhibit B). The petitioned for district lies within that portion of the unincorporated area of Miami-Dade County more fully described on the attached Exhibit A.

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Tentative Plat(s) Name(s)	KEYSTONE (T-21393)	

It is understood and agreed that the boundaries of this district and the type and level of services to be provided by this district will be reviewed by the appropriate County authorities. It is also understood that the street lights and other improvements to be provided shall be in accordance with minimum standards and requirements set forth by the Miami-Dade County Public Works Department.

OWNER'S NAME	OWNER'S ADDRESS	LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY	TAX FOLIO NUMBER
Caribe South, LLC	11755 SW 90 Street Suite 210		30-7902-000-0130
	Miami, FL 33186		
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Carlos E. Martinez President		MORE FULLY	
		DESCRIBED ON	
SunTrust Bank, NA	777 Brickell Avenue Miami, FL 33131	THE ATTACHED	
		"EXHIBIT A"	
Ruben Pedron First Vice Mesn	dent		

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CARIBE SOUTH, LLC

Atlantic Bonding Co., Inc.

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 4 day of 2003 by Carlos E. Martinez, President of Caribe South, LLC on behalf of the Company, he is personally known to me. My Commission Expires: (2pcl 19,200)

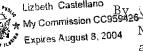
SUNTRUST BANK, NA

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 4 day of Kuber Pedison Suntrust Bank, NA on behalf of the Bank, is personally known to me.

My Commission Expires:



Ileana M. Castro Commission #DDT89945 Expires: Apr 19, 2007Notary Signature Bonded Thru and Stamp



Notary Signature and Stamp

# **EXHIBIT A**

Exhibit A to the Petition for the Plat known as KEYSTONE dated for the creation of Special Taxing District for Street Lighting, Landscape and Wall Maintenance.

## **KEYSTONE**

#### **LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

The North 2/3 of the North 3/4 of the East 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of Section 2, Township 57 South, Range 39 East, less the North 35 feet thereof, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida.



## MEMORANDUM

To: Aristides Rivera, P.E., P.L.S., Director

Date: January 15, 2002

Public Works Department

iana Collein Diane O'Quinn Williams, Director

Department of Planning and Zoning

Subject: Street Lighting, Maintenance of

Landscape, Walls Adjacent to Double-Frontage Lots and Lakes

Special Taxing Districts

Section: As Required

District: As Required

Council: As Required

Effective September 5, 2001, all tentative plats in the unincorporated area of Miami-Dade County submitted to the Land Development Division of the Public Works Department, must be accompanied by a properly executed petition for all applicable special taxing districts including, but not limited to street lights, maintenance of landscape, walls adjacent to double frontage lots, entrance features and lakes. Final Plats will not be presented to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration until the applicable special taxing districts are created, and all fees have been paid. In that regard, to ensure expeditious processing, this Memorandum may serve as approval for certain future special taxing district application requests as being consistent with the intent and purpose of the adopted 2005-2015 Comprehensive Development Master Plan (CDMP). Policy 4A - Capital Improvement Element states: Appropriate funding mechanisms will be adopted and applied by Miami-Dade County in order to assure the fiscal resources to maintain acceptable levels of service. Such funding mechanisms include special tax districts, municipal taxing service units, local option taxes, user fees, local gas tax, general obligation bond, impact fees, and special purpose authorities, or others as appropriate and feasible (Adopted Components as Amended through April 2001, page IX-10). The provision for services over and above minimum for neighborhoods and communities may be accomplished through the special taxing district as may be prescribed by the code.

The Department of Planning and Zoning (DP&Z) has no objection to a blanket approval with condition to establish future special taxing districts as limited to requests for street lighting, landscape maintenance, walls adjacent to doublefrontage lots and lake maintenance districts. The previously noted special taxing ' districts may be established on the condition that the DP&Z review all landscape maintenance districts for compliance with plantings in public rights-of-way and lake maintenance districts for consistency with Landscape Code (Chapter 18A) Section 18A-6(L) Storm Water Retention/Detention Areas.

# SUMMARY OF THE REPORT ON THE CREATION OF KEYSTONE MULTIPURPOSE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

A petition submitted to Miami-Dade County for the creation of a landscape maintenance special taxing district to be known as the Keystone Multipurpose Special Taxing District was presented in accordance with the requirements of Section 18-22.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.

The proposed district is located entirely within a portion of Unincorporated Miami-Dade County, Florida, and its boundaries are set forth as follows:

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Total cost of this maintenance program will be prorated on the basis of lot square footage. The cost per square foot to be assessed for this service is estimated as follows:

	First Year	Second Year
Estimated Total District Cost	\$15,325	\$ 9,600
Estimated Total Assessable Property Square Footage	669,350	669,350
Estimated Cost Per Square Foot of Property	\$0.0229	\$0.0143

SAMPLE ASSESSMENT First Year Second Year

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\$85

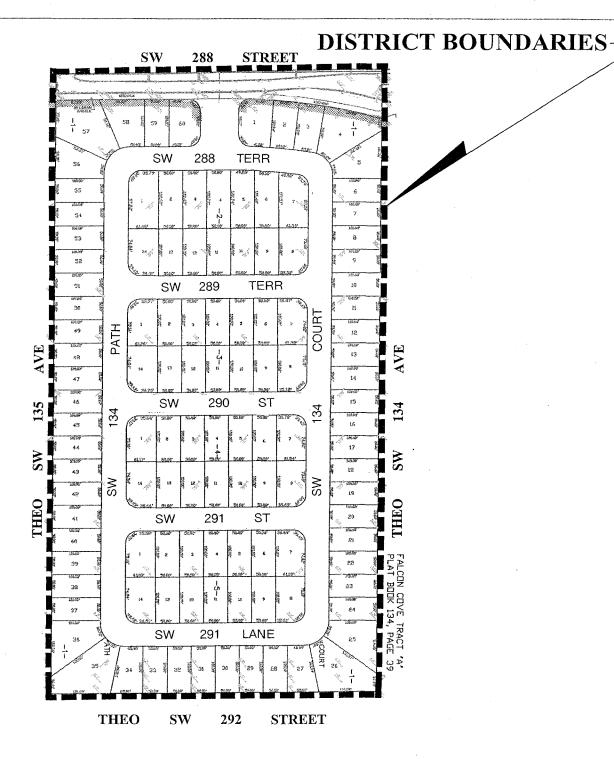
These costs are based on a preliminary estimate of 669,350 total square feet and will be adjusted from actual experience.

The proposed improvement conforms with the Comprehensive Development Master Plan of Miami-Dade County and will provide benefits to all property within the district exceeding the total amount of special assessments to be levied.

The proposed district will be created and established by the Board of County Commissioners pursuant to Section 18-22.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County. No referendum is required, therefore, it is the responsibility of interested persons to express their views for or against this proposed district at the formal public hearing.

Enclosure: Exhibit A

Per Year For A 5,974 Sq. Ft. Townhouse Lot:



# **KEYSTONE**

### MULTIPURPOSE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT



SEE ATTACHED SHEET FOR SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS AND LOCATIONS (AREAS TO BE MAINTAINED SHOWN SHADED)

M-363 (COMM. 0009) SECTION: 02-57-39  $^{13}\nu^{\nu}$ 

EXHIBIT "A"

#### EXHIBIT B

## Area to be Maintained

- I.) The Swale Area along SW 288<sup>th</sup> Street.
- II.) The Wall along the rear of Lots 1,2,3,4,57,58,59 & 60 of Block 1.

## Maintenance Schedule

- A.) Lawn/Grass
  - 1.) Cut bimonthly as required.
  - 2.) Fertilize and Weed Control as needed.
  - 3.) Treat for Pest/Diseases as needed.
- B.) 1 maintenance and repair of the exterior of a Decorative Wall and the removal of graffiti as needed.